

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the Missouri House of Representatives always welcomes the opportunity to recognize those Show-Me State residents who have generously given of their time, energy, knowledge, and skills as volunteers in the various components of the uniformed services; and

Whereas, Gary Scott Huckstep of Holts Summit has attained considerable distinction during his dual, ongoing careers as an Environmental Specialist with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and as a First Lieutenant with the Missouri Army National Guard; and

Whereas, during 2003 Lieutenant Huckstep received orders to active duty; was deployed on March 1, 2003, to Fort Stewart, Georgia; and then on July 1, 2003, left for Kosovo with the 1137th and 175th Military Police Company of the Missouri Army National Guard; and

Whereas, Lieutenant Huckstep returned from his overseas assignment in February 2004 to continue his civilian career; to renew his special status as a loving family man devoted to his wife Ramona, his daughter Logan Kathryn, and his mother Donna; and to contribute his time and service to the public relations team at Woodcrest Chapel in Columbia; and

Whereas, Gary Huckstep first entered the military in 1984 as a soldier in the United States Army who subsequently was stationed in Germany and Washington, D.C., before being honorably discharged in 1987; and

Whereas, Gary Huckstep joined the Missouri Army National Guard in 1997 and graduated from Officer Candidate School in 2000; and

Whereas, a Hunter Safety volunteer for the Missouri Department of Conservation since 1994, Gary Huckstep earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from the University of Quincy and a Master of Science degree in fisheries and wildlife management from the University of Missouri-Columbia:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Lieutenant Gary Huckstep and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his patriotic commitment to service in the United States military during times of heightened terrorist activity worldwide; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of First Lieutenant Gary Scott Huckstep of Holts Summit, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Danie Moore
District No. 20

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker